



# Safety Alert

## Robel Lithium-ion Battery and Robel Tamper

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### Stop use – Robel lithium-ion battery and Robel tamper

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#### Background

There was an incident on Network Rail whereby a Robel lithium-ion battery was removed from a charger and placed on a 62.20 vertical tamper. When the test button was pushed a loud bang and a puff of smoke was emitted from the Robel vertical tamper unit.

The equipment was placed in quarantine. The next morning the battery was unclipped from the vertical tamper and placed on the floor for inspection. After two minutes a hissing noise was heard coming from the battery followed by smoke. The Fire Brigade were called to the incident and the battery was made safe.



Robel 60.20 battery tamper

#### Instruction

You must stop using the following immediately and make sure the batteries are removed from the plant and both are stored safely until further notice:

Robel model 60.20 tamper  
Robel model 10.20 rail drill  
Robel model 30.20 impact wrench  
Robel model 12.20 rail band saw

A follow up SHE Alert will be issued once the problem is resolved and any associated guidance will be attached.

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